

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PORTION CUTTING OF FOOD  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT "A"**

Sir:

This amendment is filed with the application and these amendments should be entered prior to the examination of this application. Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 14 of this paper and include a replacement abstract.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 15 of this paper.